

Public Notice

ND Medicaid Program

The Affordable Care Act amended section 1937 of the Social Security Act, to require that Alternative Benefit Plans (ABP) coverage meet Essential Health Benefit (EHB) standards.

Regulatory changes to the EHB standards that impact Medicaid ABPs require States to update existing ABPs to reflect these changes. Effective on or after January 1, 2017, the Department of Human Services is proposing an amendment to the North Dakota Medicaid Expansion Alterative Benefit Plan (ABP) which will change the selected base benchmark Plan from the 2012 Sanford Health Plan HMO to the 2014 Sanford Health Plan HMO. The benefits outlined in the ABP will remain the same with the exception of the having separate limits as related to rehabilitative and habilitative services and devices.

Comments can be sent to and viewed at: Medical Services Division Room 309, ND Department of Human Services, 600 E Boulevard Ave Dept 325, Bismarck, ND 58505-0250. Questions may be directed to the local county social service office, or individuals may contact the ND Medicaid Program at 1-800-755-2604.

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